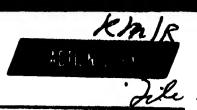
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BRITISH, FRENCH AND GERMANS HAVE NOT BEEN VERY SPECIFIC IN SPELLING OUT WHAT THEY HAVE IN MIND RELVARIOUS PROPOSALS TO TERMINATE CERTAIN PROPAGANDA AND SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES IN BERLIN. AT WORKING GROUP MEETING APRIL 22 WEST GERMANS ARGUED AGAINST TOO BROAD REFERENCE TO PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES IN BERLIN PAPER AS POSSIBLY ENDANGERING DESIRABLE INFORMATION DISSEMINATION. BRITISH STRESSED THAT ANY SUCH PROVISIONS WOULD OF COURSE, ALSO BE AIMED AT EAST SECTOR.

AS DEPT AWARE, GERMANS HAVE FOR SOME TIME BEEN UNHAPPY ABOUT REFUGEE SCREENING PROCEDURES AT MARIENFELDE, AND BRITISH AT LEAST AMONG ALLIES HAVE NOT BEEN SATISFIED WITH CURRENT PRACTICE UNDER WHICH US FIRST TO SCREEN REFUGEES. THERE HAS ALSO BEEN CONSIDERABLE CRITICISM (BOTH AMONG GERMANS AND ALLIES) OF CERTAIN ACTIVITIES IN WEST BERLIN AS BALLOONING AS WELL AS CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS FIGHTING GROUP AGAINST INHUMANITY BASED IN WEST BERLIN BUT OPERATING IN SOVIET ZONE. THESE ARE KINDS OF ACTIVITIES OTHER DELEGATIONS APPARENTLY HAVE HAD IN MIND. HOW FAR, DURING COURSE OF NEGOTIATIONS, THEY MIGHT BE PREPARED TO GO IN THIS FIELD IN WAY OF MAKING CONCESSIONS PROBABLY NOT YET CLEAR IN THEIR OWN THINKING.

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